Eviction of tenants.

387 MR. A. NESAMONY (*Vilavancode S. I. U. C.*): Will the Honourable Minister for Labour be pleased to state;

(*a*) are the Government aware that tenants are forcibly ejected by landlords and proverthicars from their holdings and houses in the pakuthies of Atoor, Aruvikara and Ponmana in Kalkulam taluk;

(*b*) has any representation been made to Government on this behalf;

(*c*) has any request been made by groups of persons for the acquisition of their house sites by the Government for their benifit;

(*d*) has the Government taken any steps towards acquisition; and

(*e*) does the Government intend to introduce legislation to stop this kind of eviction?

HON'BLE MR. C. KESAVAN. Answer to part (a) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the above answer.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The matter is being enquired into.

(*e*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (a)

MR. A. NESAMONY: Will the Government consider the possibility of some arrangement according to the Rent Control Order for the rural areas as well?

HON'BLE MR. C. KESAVAN: Yes, it would be considered.

Retirement.

388 MR. A. NESAMONY: Will the Honourable Minister for General Administration be pleased to state:

(*a*) when was the age of Government servants raised from 55 to 58;

(*b*) why was it so raised;

(*c*) why has it been now reduced to 55;

(*d*) was not the promotion of Government servants who are to retire on the completion of 55 years of age on 1-1-1124 barred for the last three years;

(*e*) does the Government contemplate paying any compensation to those (i) whose prospects of promotion were barred, and (ii) whose salaries and pension have been adversely affected; and

(*f*) does the Government propose to grant them the legitimate leave they are entitled to?

HON'BLE MR. A. THANU PILLAI. (*a*) In May 1945.

(b) To minimise the expenditure on account of pension charges and avoid the grant of extension of service in individual cases.

(*c*) To improve the efficiency of service.

(*d*) No.

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[Hon'ble Mr. A. Thanu Pillai]

(e) No. Officers can get promotions only in accordance with the rules and conditions existing for the time being.

(f) Compensatory allowances in lieu of eligible leave, and leave allowances are proposed to be granted.

Tax Receipt.

389. MR. P. CHACKO: (*Thiruvella V—General*) Will the Honourable Minister for Land be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government are aware that tax receipt form given by the Kalloopara Pakuthy authorities is different from the forms prescribed by the Government for other pakuthies; and

(b) Will the Government order for the use of the form prescribed by the Government without any delay?

HON'BLE MR. C. KESAVAN: (a) and (b) There is no material difference between the tax receipt form used by the Edapally Swarupam authorities for Kalloopara pakuthy and the one prescribed by Government for use in other pakuthies.

Disabilities of the Ryots of the Kalloopara Pakuthy.

390 MR. P. CHACKO: Will the Honourable Minister for Land be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government be pleased to make enquiries about the disabilities of the ryots of the Kalloopara pakuthy in the matter of pokkuvaravoo, Ottivil·kkom and payment of tax in kind and about the Mal-administration of the Kallooppara pakuthy by the Edappally Chief;

(b) in the interest of the citizens of the Kalloopara pakuthy will the Government be pleased to assume the management of the same;

(c) will the Government be pleased to state the extent and population of the Kalloopara pakuthy; and

d) will the Government be pleased to consider the question of dividing the pakuthy into two or three pakuthies for the proper administration of the pakuthy?

HON'BLE MR. C. KESAVAN: (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) Extent 35 sq. miles, population 57,486.

(d) Yes.

Opening of Libraries and Reading Rooms

MR. N V. CHACKO (*Kunnathunad III—General*): Will the Honourable Minister for Education be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government are taking vigorous steps for opening Libraries and Reading rooms in all the Karas of the several parts of the State; and

(b) if they are not taking such steps, whether they will be pleased to take such steps without delay?

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